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| FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REV. 12-2004) | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 264719-1 PCT |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/521446 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/09105 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 17 July 2003 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 17 July 2002 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION COMMUNICATION CONTROL SYSTEM, COMMUNICATION CONTROL METHOD, AND RELAY DEVICE | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US SEKIGUCHI Katsumi et al. | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). | | |
| Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included: | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <p>Application Data Sheet/Notice of Priority Request for Consideration/Drawings (6 sheets)</p> | | |

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| 24. The following fees are submitted: <table border="1"> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee</td> <td>\$300.00</td> <td>Applicant use</td> <td>Office use</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee</td> <td>\$200.00</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee</td> <td>\$500.00</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1000.00</td> <td colspan="2"></td> <td colspan="2"></td> </tr> </table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Total Sheets</th> <th>Extra Sheets</th> <th>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole)</th> <th>RATE</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>- 100 =</td> <td>/50 =</td> <td></td> <td>x \$250.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4">Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>CLAIMS</th> <th>NUMBER FILED</th> <th>NUMBER EXTRA</th> <th>RATE</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total claims</td> <td>9</td> <td>- 20 = 0</td> <td>x \$50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Independent claims</td> <td>3</td> <td>- 3 = 0</td> <td>x \$200.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4">MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> + \$360.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4">TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1,130.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">SUBTOTAL = \$1,130.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = \$1,130.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property + \$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = \$1,130.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Amount to be refunded:</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Amount to be charged:</td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee | \$300.00 | Applicant use | Office use | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee | \$200.00 | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee | \$500.00 | | | TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1000.00 | | | | | | Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole) | RATE | - 100 = | /50 = | | x \$250.00 | Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | | | CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | Total claims | 9 | - 20 = 0 | x \$50.00 | Independent claims | 3 | - 3 = 0 | x \$200.00 | MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> + \$360.00 | | | | TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1,130.00 | | | | SUBTOTAL = \$1,130.00 | | Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = \$1,130.00 | | Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property + \$0.00 | | TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = \$1,130.00 | | Amount to be refunded: | | Amount to be charged: | |
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REQUEST FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119
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Sir:

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